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The Montana Center For The Aged

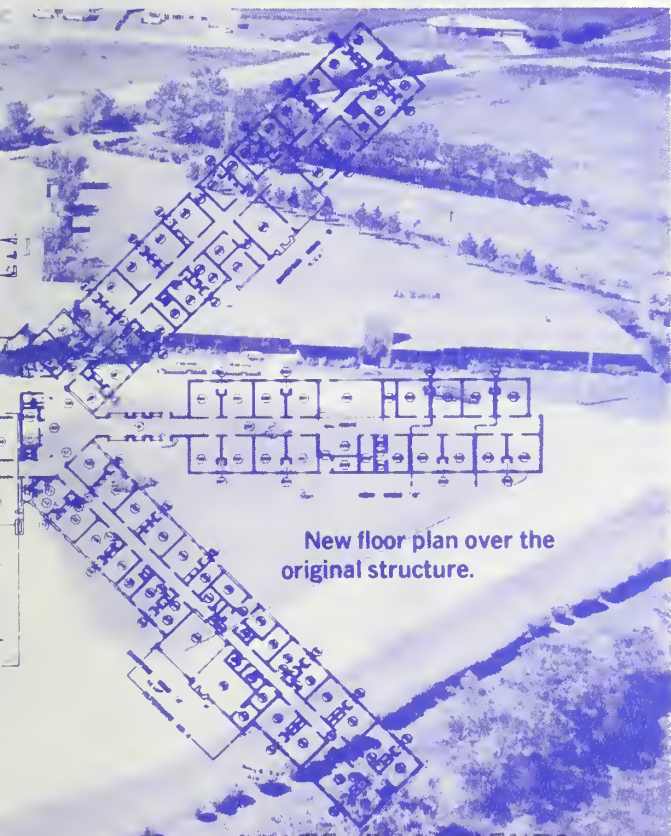
Lewistown, Montana

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The Montana Center For The Aged was constructed in 1952 on a 40 acre site where four mountain ranges can be seen from its location, overlooking the city of Lewistown.

The Montana Center For The Aged is directed by the State of Montana's Department of Institutions.

The Center is built with six large wings and a center section that has a large kitchen, central dining room, lounge, chapel, offices and nursing stations. The residents rooms are single and double with six large lounges, one in each wing. Three of the wings are occupied by women, and three wings by men. The center section lounge is for men and women, and also serves as a visiting lounge, recreation and Chapel area. The present facility has a potential capacity of 201.



New floor plan over the
original structure.

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The rooms are designed to individualize the residents. Personal items and whatever decorations the resident might desire in their rooms are made possible. Good relationships between employees and residents are maintained to make the residents as comfortable as possible. Residents are encouraged spiritually, socially and physically. They are encouraged to attend the church services each Sunday at the chapel in the Center, or they are taken to the church of their choice in downtown Lewistown if they desire.





Various recreation activities are available to the residents. Pool tables occupy the men's lounges in each wing. Other recreational activities include television, radio, library, and sewing machines.

Recreation activities are supervised by activity aids, who helps residents with the crafts he or she is interested in. Sewing circles, group reading, remotivation, and bus tours are only part of the activities at the Center.

Volunteer organizations contribute their time and efforts to help the residents participate in recreational activities.



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Residents eat in the central dining room, unless they are ill and unable to leave their room. Menus are prepared by a qualified dietician and prepared by the kitchen staff. Special diets are provided as necessary for those who need them, and consideration for the individuals taste are given.

The dining room walls are decorated with large paintings and pictures to give a pleasant atmosphere. A record player with speakers around the entire dining room add to the meal time enjoyment with music.

Many residents help in the kitchen and dining area. Residents are encouraged to participate in productive work throughout the facility.

Registered Nurses are on duty at all times to provide continuous observation and the best possible in service care for the residents. Physicians in Lewistown provide their medical services to the residents of the Home, with out-of-town specialists available as needed.

The Center For The Aged is staffed by a Superintendent, Director of Nursing, Business Service Officer, Secretary, Bookkeeper, Psychiatric Nurses, Psychiatric Aids and Attendants, Activity Aid, Cooks, Food Service Workers, Custodial Workers, Plant Supervisor and Maintenance Men.



The residents of the Montana Center For The Aged are screened and selected by the Medical Staff and the Social Services Department of the Montana State Hospital at Warm Springs, Montana. In order to be eligible for transfer to the Montana Center For The Aged, the patient must be: a patient at the State Hospital in Warm Springs, over 60 years of age, be ambulant, and be approved and accepted for transfer by the State Hospital staff. An average of 14 patients a year are transferred to Lewistown. Residents who are eligible receive Medicaid, Medicare and Social Security.



The Montana Center For The Aged encourages free and active communications between its residents and staff. We realize many of our residents have no relatives or friends, and have lost all contact with their past. We undertake to help each resident with their needs, interests and problems. We endeavor to help each resident to have a feeling of self satisfaction and accomplishment.

The Montana Center For The Aged provides a homelike atmosphere and a family type life for its residents.

